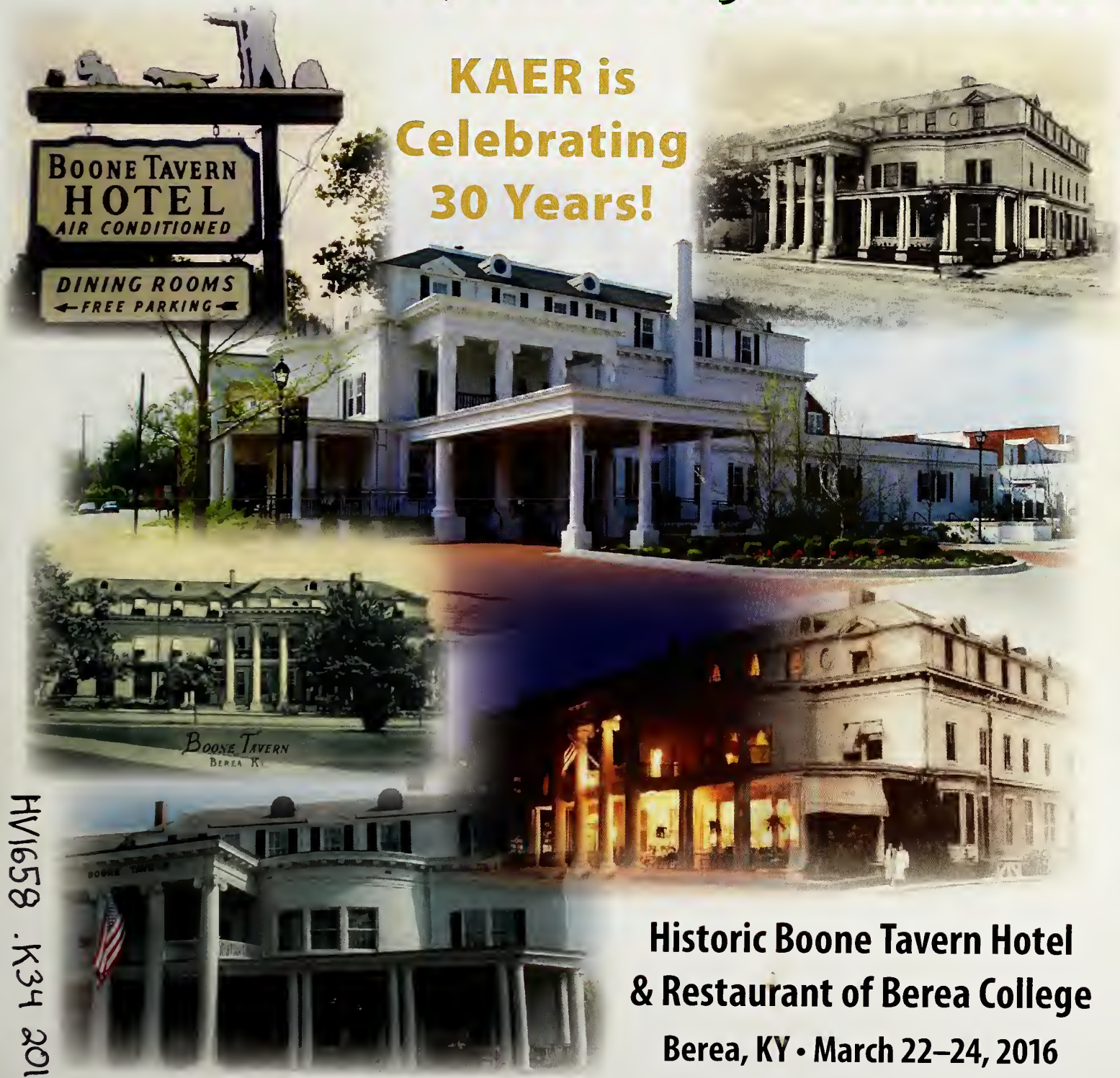
A Time for Reflection, Renewal, and Rejuvenation



KAER is Celebrating 30 Years!

Historic Boone Tavern Hotel & Restaurant of Berea College

Berea, KY • March 22–24, 2016

KAER 2016 Annual State Conference

HV1658 .K34 2016

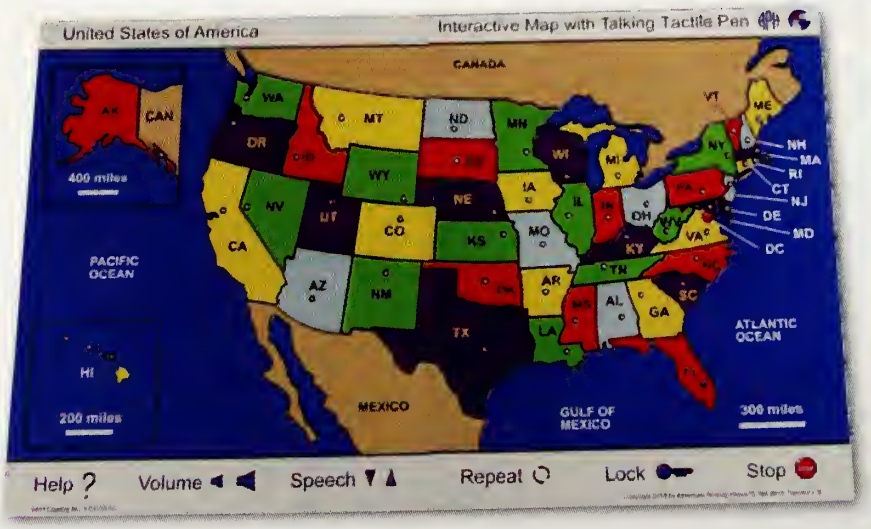
Ralph Hartley - APH

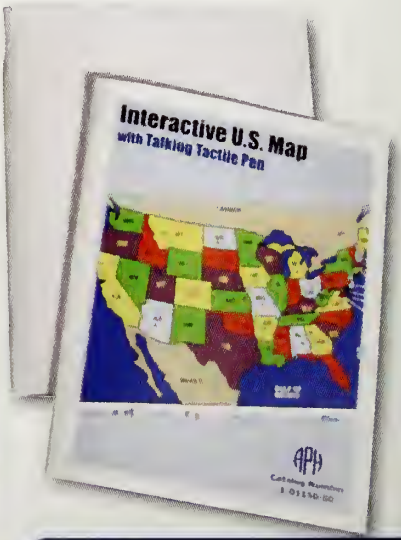
New!

Interactive U.S. Map
with Talking Tactile Pen

The **Interactive U.S. Map's** combination of tactile, visual, and audio feedback allows for independent, self-guided study by visually impaired and blind students and adults, as well as by sighted peers.

The **Talking Tactile Pen** serves as a personal "tour guide" that gives the reader information about each location on the map via multiple layers of audio recordings.





http://shop.aph.org

American Printing House for the Blind, Inc.

800.223.1839 • info@aph.org • www.aph.org

2016 Kentucky Chapter AER Board of Directors

President
Teresa Osborne

Past President
Pamela Howard

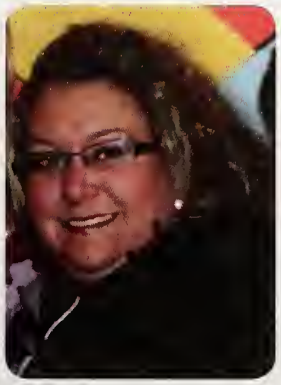
President-Elect
Wendy Strode

Director of Education
Gerald Abner

Secretary
Terri George

Director of Rehabilitation/ All Services
Janell Turner

Treasurer
Katrina Berry



Director at Large
Carey Moore

2016 Conference Program Committee

Pamela Howard, 2016 Conference Chair
Kentucky School for the Blind Outreach (KEDC)

Connie Mondine
Berea Tourism

Gerald Abner
University of Kentucky

Janell Turner
Office for the Blind

Wendy Strode
Kentucky School for the Blind Outreach (GRECC)

Robbin Cox
Kentucky School for the Blind Outreach (WKEC)

Terri George
Marshall County Schools

Teresa Osborne
Floyd County Schools

Katrina Berry
West Kentucky Educational Cooperative

Donna Robertson, Tanya Hall, Sonya Petroski
Historic Boone Tavern Hotel & Restaurant and Berea College

Conference Program Design by: Stephanie Lancaster, APH

Learn more about our line-up of knowledgeable, respectable, and inspirational speakers on the following pages.

Welcome!

The Kentucky chapter of AER would like to welcome all of you to Berea – the folk art capital of Kentucky. Berea is proud of its diversity, heritage and culture and is honored to share it with you.

As our Kentucky chapter of AER is celebrating its 30th Birthday, your KAER Board of Directors has brought together specialists in our field to share knowledge and expertise, to strengthen connections with valued colleagues, and to make new connections.

For 30 years KAER has endeavored to provide outstanding professional development opportunities for Teachers of the Blind/Visually Impaired, Orientation and Mobility Specialists, Rehabilitation Professionals, and other individuals interested in education and rehabilitation of the blind and visually impaired.

At our conference this year we are taking time to ***Reflect, Renew & Rejuvenate*** to ensure another successful 30 years of service to Kentucky and surrounding areas.

What better place to ponder and celebrate our history and future than at the **Boone Tavern Hotel & Restaurant – A Unique Place of Living History!**

I want to share with you a message from Berea Tourism. *"We hope that you will enjoy the unique atmosphere that Berea has to offer as it is a town like no other. Berea is home to a thriving population of weavers, instrument makers, furniture artisans, jewelry designers, glass workers, potters, painters, sculptors, and musicians. The story of Berea's artisan community is interwoven with the historic Berea College, the first interracial and coeducational college in the South. Berea has a longstanding tradition of diversity, social justice, environmental responsibility, and community service. Both college and town are committed to the practice of sustainability and conservation. Enjoy your stay in Berea and at the Boone Tavern!"*

On behalf of your KAER Board we hope you are able to Reflect, Renew and Rejuvenate throughout the week in this beautiful place!

In Service,

Pamela Howard
2016 KAER Conference Program Committee Chair

OPENING KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

Lyle Roelofs began his tenure as Berea College's ninth president on July 1, 2012. He is a graduate of Calvin College with a Bachelor of Science degree with honors in physics and mathematics. He earned M.S. and Ph.D. degrees, both in physics, at the University of Maryland and has more than 35 years of experience in teaching and research at the University of Maryland, Calvin College, Brown University, Haverford College, and Colgate University. He is also an experienced administrator, having served as associate provost at Haverford College, and as provost, dean of faculty, and interim president at Colgate University. A number of U.S. and international institutions have tapped Roelofs for visiting appointments and fellowships, such as the Sandia National Laboratory; the Fritz-Haber Institut in Berlin; the University of Munich; Technical University Clausthal-Zellerfeld; and Universität Ulm.

Dr. Roelofs' academic and scholarly research has resulted in substantial grants from such organizations as the Research Corporation, Pew Mid-Atlantic Cluster, and the National Science Foundation. Other honors include the Humboldt Research Fellowship and the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation Teaching Fellowship. He held an endowed faculty chair at Haverford College as distinguished professor of computational science. In addition to his many accomplishments in research and pedagogy, Dr. Roelofs has numerous publications in referred professional journals, as well as invited papers and presentations at national and international seminars and colloquia.

Dr. Roelofs' leadership initiatives at Berea College include strategic planning and institutional advancement through exploration of the College's Great Commitments, sustainability as an institutional commitment, and enhancing the physical resources of the College.

Beyond Dr. Roelofs' professional interests, he enjoys reading, cooking, bird watching, camping, hiking, and running (including the occasional distance race). Dr. Roelofs and his wife, Laurie, lead a Run/Walk Club for students, staff, and faculty twice weekly. They have two sons (both married) and four grandchildren.

AWARDS BANQUET GUEST SPEAKER:

Ms. Trisha Carroll is currently serving as Chief Instructional Officer and Educational Consultant at KEDC (Kentucky Educational Development Corporation) based in Ashland, Kentucky. She has a diverse, well-rounded 27 year background in education that includes teaching at the elementary level, district office administrative responsibilities – specifically in the areas of instructional supervision, professional development, assessment, improvement planning, SBDM councils, federal and state programs, KTIP, KDE initiative implementation and various other responsibilities to support the superintendent and district initiatives. Her current position provides opportunities to work with 66 member districts, supporting them in their efforts to close achievement gaps and work toward college and career readiness for all students. She is a graduate of Morehead State University and continued her post-graduate work there in Early Childhood (Masters), Instructional Supervision (Levels 1 & 2 – Rank 1) and Superintendent certifications. During her tenure at KEDC, she has presented at the annual KASC, KAAC & Title I state conferences as well as the Learning Forward national conference. Additionally, she works with groups of teachers and administrators on a monthly basis during the Social Studies network as well as the Instructional Support Leadership Network. She considers herself a life-long learner and a supporter of educational initiatives that uplifts quality teaching and learning.

Congratulations
2016 KAER SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS!

Katherine (Ellen) Cross
Jefferson County Public Schools

Cindy Queen
Lawrence County Schools

Tara Harmon
Kentucky School for the Blind

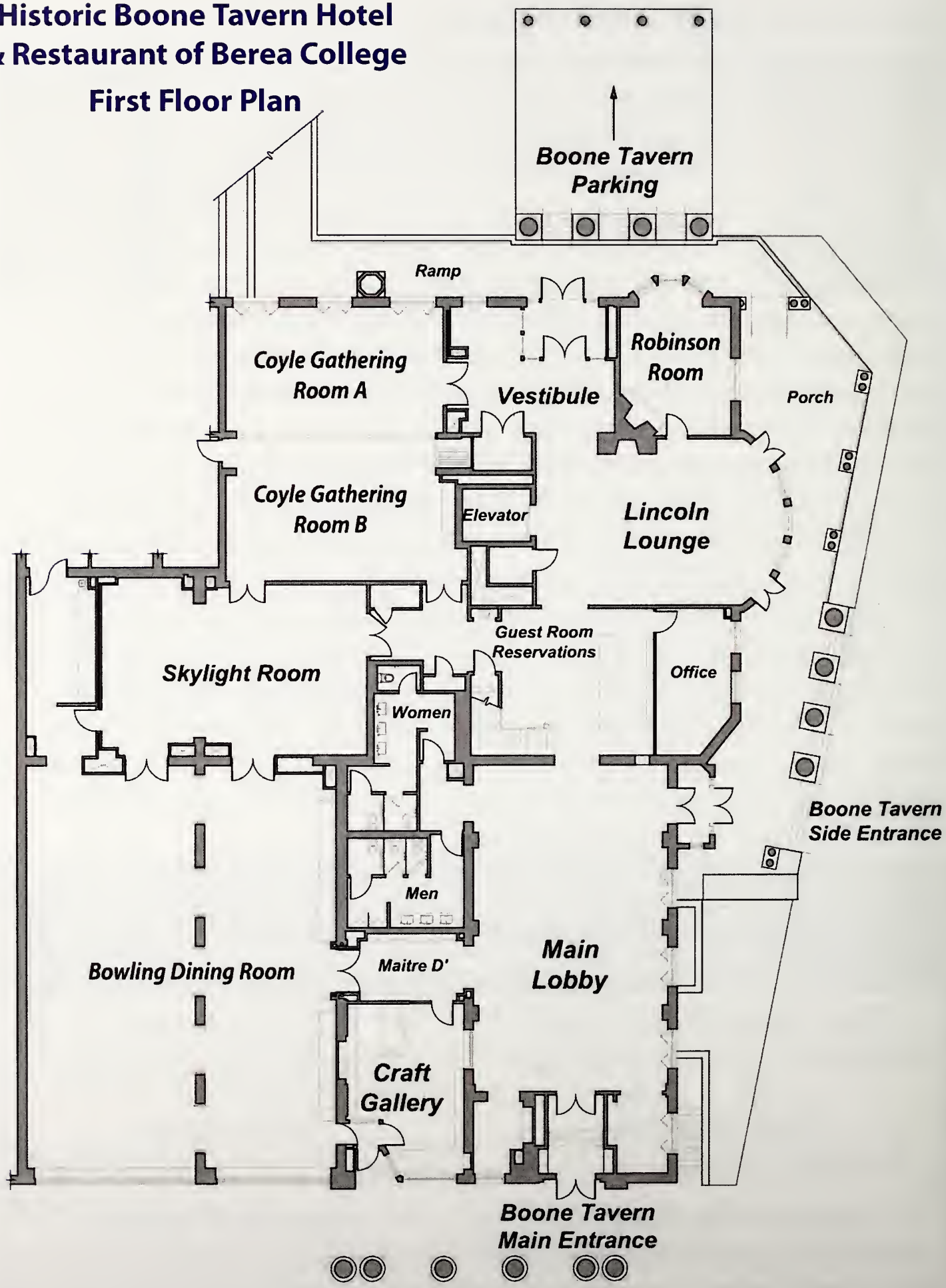
Kelly Egan
Jefferson County Public Schools

Janine Stubblefield
Jefferson County Public Schools

Patricia Conklin
Jessamine County Schools

Historic Boone Tavern Hotel & Restaurant of Berea College

First Floor Plan



Agenda

MONDAY, MARCH 21

5:00 – 9:00 pm **Registration Open**
— Lobby and Lincoln Lounge

Community Partners/Exhibits and the Silent Auction may set up in the hotel open lobby area at any time on Monday after 5:00 PM and may remain set up throughout the duration of the conference at their convenience.

6:00 – 9:00 pm **Reflection, Renewal, and Rejuvenation Activities**
— Coyle Gathering Room
Light refreshments will be served.
Tabitha Reed

Becoming extraordinary is a journey. Self-reflection and taking care of ourselves is part of the journey. Welcome to the wonderful world of essential oils! We are going to learn how to use oils to relieve stress and make our journey more pleasurable. We will learn how to mix various oils to make our own special blends! Each participant will take home several homemade concoctions sure to be enjoyed! Also, let's learn some controlled breathing techniques to aid in relieving stress and anxiety wherever you are! Let's do all we can to bring our best selves to work every day!

TUESDAY, MARCH 22

7:30 – 11:00 am	Registration Open — **Lincoln Lounge**
8:00 – 9:00 am	Continental Breakfast- Community Partners/Exhibits — **Bowling Dining Room & Lobby**
9:00 – 9:15 am	Opening Session — **Bowling Dining Room**
	Welcome/Opening Remarks Teresa Osborne Donna Robertson Pamela Howard
9:15 – 10:00 am	Keynote Speaker Lyle Roelofs
10:00 – 10:15 am	BREAK
10:15 – 11:45 am	**CONCURRENT 90 MINUTE SESSIONS** (to be repeated after lunch)

"Teaching Young Children Exploration Skills: A Make It – Take It Opportunity"

— Skylight Room ***~ Limited to 30 participants ~***

Kathy Mullen, Ashley Emmons, Mary Lesousky, Staci Maynard, Martha Hack, and Dixie Miller

Young children who are blind or visually impaired need to learn the skills of exploration in a safe and manageable way that can be generalized across settings. Join the teachers and developmental interventionists of Visually Impaired Preschool Services to make materials that will allow exploration through students' sense of smell, touch, and hearing. Participants will have the opportunity to make a sensory board, color game, and smelly bottles of seasonal scents.

"We Are All Connected: The Role of the Vision Specialist and O&M Professional in Guide Dog Work"

— Robinson Room ***~ Limited to 10 participants ~***

John Dettloff and Lisa Macpherson

Due to hands-on experience with a guide dog and Juno, this presentation is **limited to the first **10 participants** to enter the session.*

The presentation introduces Vision and O&M professionals, to guide dog training, travel, field, support requirements, and the role of the Vision Specialist and O&M instructors play in working with clients that may desire a guide dog and those that have one. Participants have the opportunity to experience guide dog challenges first hand. **Leader Dog** has created a program to assist professionals and enhance their knowledge of the process by which one can ready the client for a Leader Dog and then provide services upon their return to the home environment. The program also includes training methodologies and hands on experiences for the vision specialist and orientation and mobility specialist. A discussion of topics covered: Assessing the client's readiness for a dog, pre-guide dog instruction, selecting a guide dog school, follow-up with guide dog users. John and Lisa will discuss and provide hands-on experience with a guide dog to professionals, on assessing readiness for a guide dog, pros and cons of guide dog use, necessary skills, travel history, and environments that are necessary for clients to reach their full potential with a guide dog.

"Getting in Sync with Your Workload"

— Coyle Gathering Room

Donna Brostek Lee

Learn tips, trick, and methods for organizing your workload. Come with your laptop and iOS device and be prepared to organize student/consumer files, bookmarks/favorites, and sync essential paperwork across your devices. Help yourself become technologically efficient and share the knowledge with your students/consumers. Scanner Pro Genius Scan Edit pdf w/Notability Cam Scanner

11:45 am – 1:00 pm Lunch Buffet-Community Partners/Exhibits Open

— Bowling Dining Room & Lobby

Not

Good blindness-a

1:00 – 2:30 pm **REPEATED CONCURRENT 90 MINUTE SESSIONS**
(descriptions of sessions on previous pages)

"Teaching Young Children Exploration Skills: A Make It – Take It Opportunity"
— Skylight Room ***~ Limited to 30 participants ~***
Kathy Mullen, Ashley Emmons, Mary Lesousky, Staci Maynard, Martha Hack, and Dixie Miller

"We Are All Connected: The Role of the Vision Specialist and the O&M Professional in Guide Dog Work"
— Robinson Room ***~ Limited to 10 participants ~***
John Dettloff and Lisa Macpherson

"Getting in Sync With Your Workload"
— Coyle Gathering Room
Donna Brostek Lee

2:30 – 2:45 pm BREAK

2:45 – 3:45 pm **CONCURRENT 60 MINUTE SESSIONS**

"Addressing Your Assessment Needs: What We Have vs. What You Need"
— Skylight Room
Laura Zierer

This session will introduce the large print and braille editions of the Boehm-3 Preschool Test of Basic Concepts, providing participants a hands-on opportunity to explore all the features of this assessment. A sneak preview of the prototype of the Boehm-3 Test of Basic Concepts (K-2) will be provided. News will be shared regarding the development of the Woodcock Johnson IV and KeyMath3. The floor will be open for discussion and input from participants about the needs of TVI's and psychologists in the area of assessment for their students.

"Addressing the Needs of Students with Multiple Disabilities/Complex Needs"
— Coyle Gathering Room
Diane Haynes

This presentation will discuss and demonstrate intervention strategies as well as considerations when prioritizing skills for instruction. Emphasis will be on working with the whole child with discussion regarding the overall impact on a student when one or more of the seven sensory systems have been compromised. Participants will be able to identify the seven sensory systems, the student's unique learning needs, and priority considerations when working with students who have multiple disabilities/complex needs.

"Eye Conditions in Kentucky – Common Functional Problems and Management Strategies in Adulthood"
— Bowling Dining Room
Connie Hill

The presentation will concentrate on the prevalent eye conditions that are seen in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. During the session the eye condition will be defined along with functional problems and management strategies that can be used in post-secondary and employment.

3:45 – 4:45 pm **CONCURRENT 60 MINUTE SESSIONS**

"Autism-TEACCH Practices for Students with Visual Impairments"
— Skylight Room
Tara Harmon

The purpose of this session is to learn basic strategies and fundamentals of TEACCH (Treatment and Education of Autistic and related Communication-Handicapped Children) from North Carolina. Participants will learn: about the cultures of Autism and how it effects students in the classroom, about structured teaching and how it promotes lifelong learners in students with Autism, how this relates to students with visual impairments, and will see examples of assessments used to develop structured TEACCHing lesson individualized for students with Autism. Assessments, Structure, Schedules, and Work System (task) will be covered and how to promotes independence with students with Autism. Samples and Activities will be shared.

"Office for the Blind's McDowell Center Services"
— Bowling Dining Room
Kirsten Schmidt

Participants will have an understanding of the referral process and the services offered at the McDowell Rehabilitation Center. At the Charles W. McDowell Rehabilitation Center, we are committed to the mission of the agency, to assist individuals who are blind and visually impaired in achieving their educational, vocational and independent living goals. Training opportunities at the center are designed to promote independence.

We focus on training that assists an individual in obtaining the skills they need to be independent in all areas of their life. The length of the rehabilitation program at the center depends on the needs of each individual. At the center there are qualified rehabilitation staff members that provide support and instruction in a professional environment

"Addressing the Needs of Students with Multiple Disabilities/Complex Needs"
— Coyle Gathering Room
Diane Haynes

This presentation will discuss and demonstrate intervention strategies as well as considerations when prioritizing skills for instruction. Emphasis will be on working with the whole child with discussion regarding the overall impact on a student when one or more of the seven sensory systems have been compromised. Participants will be able to identify the seven sensory systems, the student's unique learning needs, and priority considerations when working with students who have multiple disabilities/complex needs.

4:45 – 5:45 pm — **Walk and Explore College Square**
A surprise from your KAER Board awaits you at the Log House Craft Gallery!

5:45 – 6:45 pm — **Community Partners/Exhibits Social Dinner — Bowling Dining Room & Lobby**

University of Kentucky Visual Impairments Program – Student Project Showcase

7:00 – 9:00 pm **Berea Artisan Classes** (2-hour Pre-Paid Choice)

Create a Fused Glass Suncatcher/Ornament
— Broadway Center in Old Town Berea

Design and Create Embossed Jewelry
— Broadway Center in Old Town Berea

Create Egg-Style Woven Reed Basket
— Commons Room in Woods Penn Building

7:00 – 8:00 pm **CONCURRENT 60 MINUTE SESSIONS**
(to be repeated)

"Adaptive PE-the Poss-ABILITIES are Endless"
— Seabury Gym
Dave Wickstrom

During this interactive session, educators will learn what adaptive PE is, why it is important, and how to implement adaptive PE principles in their classrooms. Educators will also learn best practices for inclusion of all students in the classroom. This session includes an amazing Goalball Demonstration with athletes with some special guests!

"Reflection, Renewal, and Rejuventation Activities"
— Coyle Gathering Room
Della Barker and Cassie Layne

As we continue the journey to become extraordinary, let us learn some more ways to ensure that our bodies are balanced physically, mentally, emotionally, as well as spiritually for optimal health. These tips and tricks that encompass energy balancing techiniques, massage therapy, neuromuscular therapy, reflexology, trigger point therapy, and relaxation techniques may assist to enhance overall well-being that will enable us to bring our best selves to work every day!

8:00 – 9:00 pm **REPEATED CONCURRENT 60 MINUTE SESSIONS**
(descriptions of sessions in previous pages)

"Adaptive PE-the Poss-ABILITIES are Endless"
— Seabury Gym
Dave Wickstrom

"Reflection, Renewal, and Rejuventation Activities"
— Coyle Gathering Room
Della Barker and Cassie Layne

Becoming extraordinary is a journey. Self-reflection and taking care of ourselves is part of the journey. Welcome to the wonderful world of essential oils! We are going to learn how to use oils to relieve stress and make our journey more pleasurable. We will learn how to mix various oils to make our own special blends! Each participant will take home several homemade concoctions sure to be enjoyed! Also, let's learn some controlled breathing techniques to aid in relieving stress and anxiety wherever you are! Let's do all we can to bring our best selves to work every day!

****COMMUNITY PARTNERS/EXHIBITS WILL BE OPEN TUESDAY UNTIL 6:30 PM****

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23

8:00 – 9:00 am **Continental Breakfast-Community Partners/Exhibits**
— Bowling Dining Room & Lobby

9:00 – 10:00 am **CONCURRENT 60 MINUTE SESSIONS**

"Low Vision and The Circadian Clock"
— Skylight Room
Elaine Kitchel

Light, its color and duration, affects all phases of our lives, even our sleep cycle. Learn how light affects sleep, digestion, concentration, and your internal thermostat. Find out why lighting is important for people with low vision and how you can manipulate light to help yourself and your students stay healthy and productive. Find out what you can do to help your students and consumers have access to optimum lighted environments.

Concurrent Sessions, cont.

"From IFSP to IEP: Early Intervention and Transition Services for Young Children"

— Coyle Gathering Room

Kathy Mullen

Attendees will recognize that transitions are a way of life for all children and families and especially for families with members who have diagnosed disabilities. The attendees learn the process of referring young children with visual impairments for early intervention services through the Kentucky First Steps System and then onto preschool within the public school systems across the commonwealth. The presentation will include strategies for making seamless transitions between educational programs. The presenter will provide a closer look at how IDEA: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act protects all Kentucky students from birth through 21 years of age.

"Cortical Visual Impairment (CVI) and the Transition Age Student"

— Bowling Dining Room

Teri Ritchie

Cortical Visual Impairment (CVI) creates unique challenges for students as they transition to middle and high school and beyond. What does their level of CVI mean for their future? Participants will be able to interpret the scores on the Roman CVI rating scales in order to make decisions about programming and future planning for the student.

10:00 – 10:15 am BREAK

10:15 – 11:45 am **CONCURRENT 90 MINUTE SESSIONS**
(to be repeated after lunch)

"Active Learning in Action – Next Steps"

— Skylight Room ***~ Limited to 30 participants ~***

Toni Hardin and Paige Maynard

This workshop will review Lilli Nielsen's Active Learning, an intervention approach developed from years of research with blind/visually impaired children. Learn how you can use wood, metal, fabric, and many other materials with learners to engage them in meaningful activities to improve spatial awareness of objects, reaching and grasping of objects, awareness

and localization of sound and more. Participants will view sample models of teacher made materials that can be used with the model. Group participants will also engage in the assembly of their own teacher made activities to use with their students/clients.

"Make & Take Games for Orientation and Mobility"

— Coyle Gathering Room ***~ Limited to 20 participants ~***

Lisa Macpherson

With the absence of good concept development, children can lack the skills needed to move in their environment. As O&M Specialists and/or Teachers for the Blind/Visually Impaired, we recognize that our students need a good foundation in concept development. From our teaching methods, we know that children learn best by being actively involved and engaged during instruction. Come get away from all the paperwork and reactivate those creative juices through game making, sharing ideas, tips, and resources through O&M games. This session encourages an "exchange of ideas" among participants. You will leave this session with a make and take orientation and mobility instructional game!

"Single and Double Switch Access to the Computer: Increasing Literacy Opportunities for Students With Complex Needs"

— Bowling Dining Room

Gerald Abner

This session will first focus on the technical aspects of making your computer switch accessible. Participants will explore a variety of switches and consider the importance of switch placement and switch mounting. We will take a look at commercially available switch software and explore creative ways to increase literacy opportunities for students who require alternate access.

12:00 – 1:00 pm **Lunch with Community Partners/Exhibits**

1:15 – 2:45 pm **REPEATED CONCURRENT 90 MINUTE SESSIONS**

(descriptions of sessions on previous pages)

"Active Learning in Action – Next Steps"

— Skylight Room ***~ Limited to 30 participants ~***

Toni Hardin and Paige Maynard

"Make & Take Games for Orientation and Mobility"

— Coyle Gathering Room ***~ Limited to 20 participants ~***

Lisa Macpherson

"Single and Double Switch Access to the Computer: Increasing Literacy Opportunities for Students with Complex Needs"

— Bowling Dining Room

Gerald Abner

2:45 – 3:00 pm BREAK

3:00 – 4:00 pm **CONCURRENT 60 MINUTE SESSIONS**

"iPads and Students with Low Vision"

— Skylight Room

Linda Haughey and Janine Stubblefield

As teachers of the visually impaired, do you find that no matter how many students are on your caseload, no two students are the same even if they have the same visual disability? In the same way, no two students learn in the same way, even if they use the same device. With that in mind, this presentation will share a series of iPad apps that are used with students who have cortical visual impairment - featuring color, movement, light, touch, and music; Braille tutors/readers; medical support apps; and reading, writing, and math apps for academic students with low vision. Devices such as iPads and Android tablets are desired tools; however, they are sometimes too expensive for many school districts to purchase for their students. One of the presenters wrote and received a grant to purchase 9 mini iPads for her students. She is going to share this grant proposal process with participants.

Concurrent Sessions, cont.

"Literacy for Students with Multiple Disabilities"

— Bowling Dining Room

Peggy Sinclair Morris

This interactive session will focus on literacy for learners with visual impairments and multiple disabilities, including deaf-blindness. Participants will be guided through the website "Literacy for Children with Combined Vision and Hearing Loss" and will complete a Literacy Skills Checklist for a student that is currently or formerly on his or her caseload. Participants will learn "out of the box strategies and ideas to use with students and how important routines, trusting relationships, communication, exposure to literacy, concepts and the student's interest are to building a foundation for literacy.

"Office for the Blind Services for Ages 14-21"

— Coyle Gathering Room

Janell Turner

This session will focus on the services that the Office for the Blind can provide for individuals between the ages of 14 and 21 while they are in middle and high school. Services will be presented and time will be allotted for an interactive discussion of ways that schools and Office for the Blind can work together to prepare students for the transition into the world of work or post-secondary training.

4:00 – 6:00 pm	**Kentucky Artisan Center Group Tour** *2.5 miles from Boone Tavern at 200 Artisan Way*
6:30 – 9:00 pm	**KAER Celebrating 30 Years Banquet** **— Bowling Dining Room** **Our Journey to Becoming Extraordinary: Bringing Our Best Self to Work Everyday** **Trisha Carroll** **Entertainment** **Marlana VanHoose**

Banquet, cont.

Awards Presentations
KAER Board of Directors

Silent Auction
Robbin Cox

****COMMUNITY PARTNERS/EXHIBITS AND SILENT AUCTION WILL BE SET UP UNTIL 5:30 PM****

THURSDAY, MARCH 24

8:00 – 9:15 am — KY Chapter AER Annual Business Meeting Breakfast — **Bowling Dining Room**

9:15 – 10:00 am — Community Partner/Agency Updates — **Bowling Dining Room**

- Blind Services Coalition of Kentucky
- American Printing House for the Blind
- Kentucky School for the Blind Campus-based
- Kentucky Office for the Blind
- Kentucky School for the Blind Outreach
- Visually Impaired Preschool Services
- Kentucky School for the Blind Charitable Foundation
- INSIGHT Post-secondary Preparation Program
- Kentucky Regional Braille Challenge
- University of Kentucky Visual Impairments Program

10:00 – 10:30 am — BREAK/HOTEL CHECKOUT

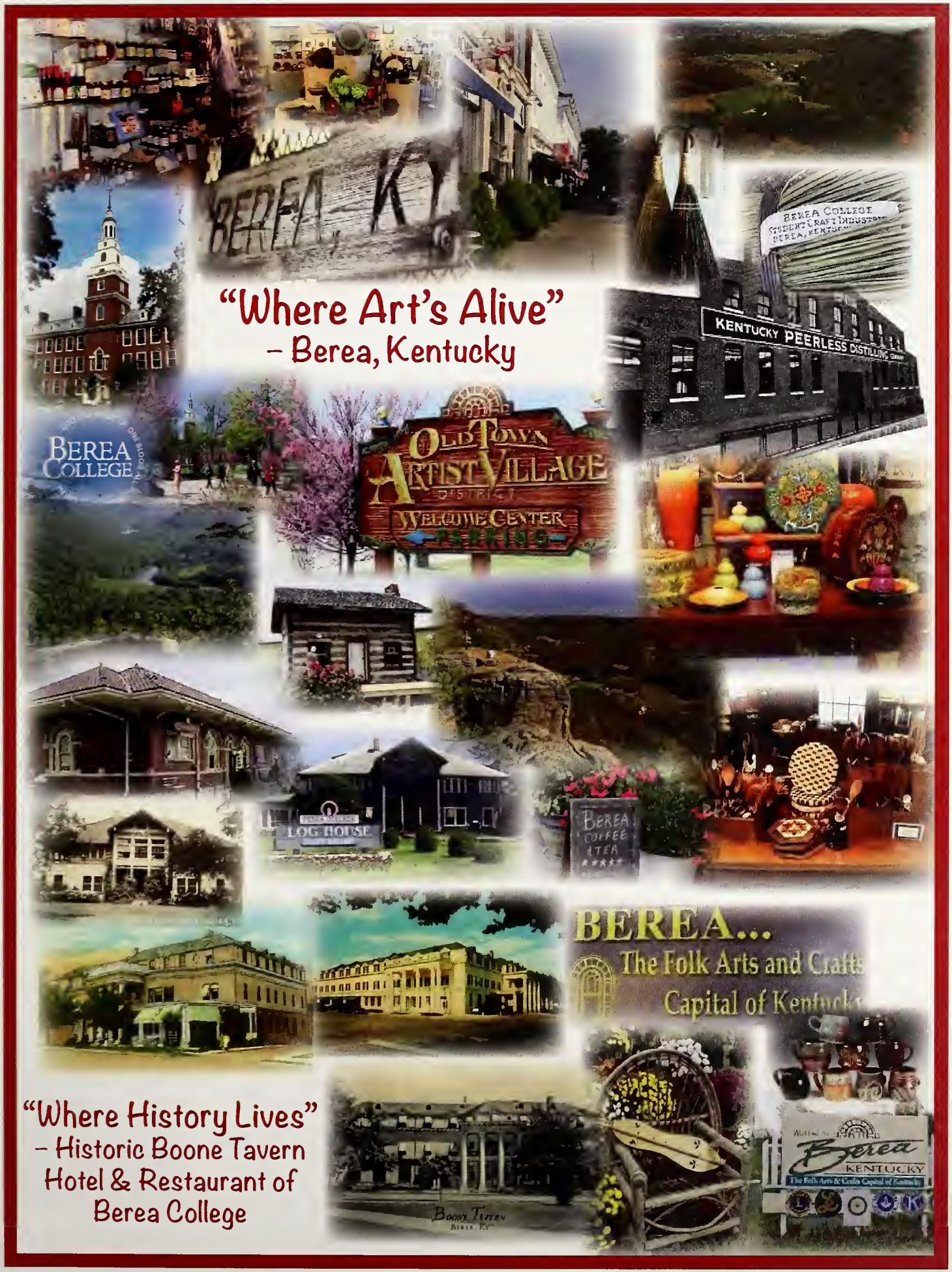
10:30 am – 12:00 pm ***"Kentucky School for the Blind (KSB) From the Perspective of Students and Parents"***
— Coyle Gathering Room
Elaine Hall, Todd Johnson,
KSB Students and Parents

This session is designed to inform about the many KSB programs, as shared by a panel of six students and three parents who receive such services. Students and parents on the panel will focus on such programs as: the independent dorm, residential program, extracurricular activities, day student program, JCPS shared placement, Short Term Program, Career and Technical Education Program, and the Work Program. The panel will also share their experiences with the Summer Enrichment Program, Insight Post-Secondary Preparation Program, and Short Term Weekend Retreat. Parents will also speak to their experiences and rationale behind choosing KSB's center-based programs. The goal of the session is to share information that can serve as a foundation for those stakeholders in the state who may be interested in learning about the variety of KSB services.

Participants will become knowledgeable about programs available to statewide students on the KSB campus and will be able to guide and support students, parents, school staffs, community members, etc. through the wide range of KSB services.

12:00 – 12:15 pm **Closing Remarks**
Evaluations
Door Prize Drawings

****Take TIME to Explore Berea's Artisan Community before heading home!!****


"Where Art's Alive"
– Berea, Kentucky
BEREA, KY
BEREA COLLEGE
KENTUCKY PEERLESS DISTILLING
OLD TOWN ARTIST VILLAGE
WELCOME CENTER
LOG HOUSE
BEREA COFFEE & TEA
BEREA...
The Folk Arts and Crafts
Capital of Kentucky
"Where History Lives"
– Historic Boone Tavern
Hotel & Restaurant of
Berea College
BOONE TAVERN
BEREA, KY
Berea
KENTUCKY

BANQUET ENTERTAINMENT PERFORMANCE:

Marlana VanHoose is an extraordinary young singer and recording artist, who has warmed the hearts of many throughout the world. She was born totally blind and was only given one year to live, but God had other plans for her. Marlana sees nothing, but has a beautiful vision of life. Even though she faces many challenges, she just sees it as a way of life.

Marlana is a member of the Artists Music Guild (AMG) where she was the 2012 recipient of two awards and the 2013 and 2014 nominee for youth artist of the year. Marlana is the 2015 recipient of the AMG youth artist of the year.

Music: Independent Artist, Marlana VanHoose, offers her extraordinary talent on her first album – "Do Right" – 10 Songs of Gospel and Inspiration

News Coverages:

- CBS news
- Fox and Friends News
- ESPN E60
- Entertainment Tonight
- Inside Edition
- Atlanta Live
- Babbie's House
- Today Show (Internet)

Venue Performances:

- Churches
- UK Women's Basketball Games/NCAA Tournament
- UK Men's Basketball Games
- UK Men's Football Games
- Other College Sporting Events
- NBA Games including the finals
- NFL Games
- MLB Games
- NASCAR 2013 & 2014
- Best Buddies Events across the USA
- Breeder's Cup 2015
- Governor's Inauguration 2015
- Various Events across the USA

Marlana has also been commissioned as a Kentucky Colonel.

Her soaring and majestic voice continues to give joy and peace to all who are in her presence.

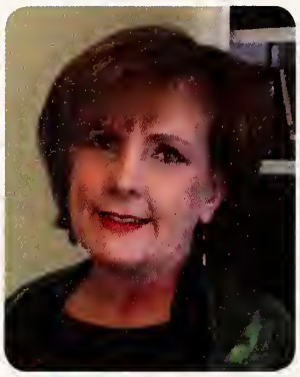
SESSION SPEAKERS:

Gerald Abner is a clinical instructor in the Teacher Preparation Program for Visual impairments at the University of Kentucky. He is finishing up his 28th year as an Itinerant Teacher for students with visual impairments. Gerald has a background in assistive technology and enjoys working with students who have additional complex needs.

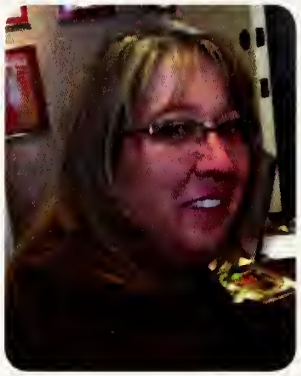
Dr. Donna Brostek Lee is a Clinical Assistant Professor and Visual Impairment Program Faculty Chair at the University of Kentucky. Dr. Lee received her bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and Visual Impairments and her master's degree in Orientation and Mobility from Western Michigan University. She received her doctorate from the University of Louisville, with a focus on educational leadership in blindness and visual impairment. During Dr. Lee's doctoral program, she was a National Center for Leadership in Visual Impairment (NCLVI) fellow. Prior to coming to the University of Kentucky, she was an assistant professor at Western Michigan University. Dr. Lee's research interests include assistive technology, tactile graphics, and sleep problems in young children who are blind.

John Dettloff has been a guide dog instructor for 30 years. He works for Leader Dogs for the Blind as a Field Representative, GDMI and worked as a Master Instructor for Guiding Eyes for the Blind. In the 30 years working in the guide dog field he has worked with clients on 2 Continents in 10 countries. This diverse experience gives John a broad perspective on what preparation and techniques work best for the success of a guide dog team.

Ashley Emmons has been a Certified Orientation and Mobility Specialist for 10 years. She received her Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education (IECE) certification in May 2013 and her Teacher of the Visually Impaired (TVI) certification this past September 2015 through the University of Kentucky. Ashley has been employed with VIPS for the past 10 years and has had the opportunity to work out of both the Central Kentucky office and Louisville office.



Elaine Hall is the K-12 school counselor at Kentucky School for the Blind. This is her 5th year serving in that role. Elaine received her special education and Guidance & Counseling certifications from the University of Louisville. She has taught elementary education and special education in JCPS, and was a school counselor in JCPS prior to coming to KSB.



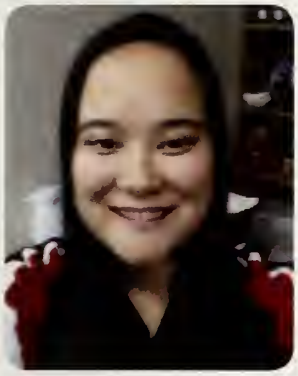
Martha Hack is the mother of 2 children, Ryan (14) and Sarah (5). She was brought to VIPS 17 years ago when she had her son, JD, who had CVI, ROP stage 4, and many other diagnoses. She has been the Family Services Coordinator with VIPS for eleven years after serving on the VIPS board as the Parent representative. She also works as the Events Coordinator for Fundraising. She says that she has the best job at VIPS – she gets to plan all the parties!

Toni Hardin has sixteen years of special education teaching experience. She currently teaches students with visual impairments in the Johnson County public school district for the past eight years. She also taught students with autism and multiple disabilities in the Lawrence County Schools. She received her undergraduate degree in Special Education, Moderate to Severe Disabilities from the Morehead State University; a Masters in Visual Impairments from the University of Louisville, and a Rank 1 in Special Education, Assistive Technology from the University of Kentucky. Toni is a current active member of KAER. She is also a current board member of the CALEBS Organization and has served as the Chief Financial Officer for over 4 years. In 2011, Mrs. Hardin was selected as one of five direct service providers to attend Annual Meeting as an American Printing House (APH) Scholar. Mrs. Hardin's current research interests are in systematic instruction for students with visual impairments and technology applications for students with visual impairments.

Linda Haughey has been working with students with visual impairments for 9 years. She has worked in Fayette County, Madison County, and Jefferson County. During the 2012-2013 school year she contracted with Owsley, Wolfe, and Leslie Counties as their TVI through KVEC. Her certifications are: B.S. in elementary education (grades 1-8) from Ball State University, 5th-year in special education (LBD, grades P-12) from the

University of Kentucky, and MSED-Rank 1 in Visual Impairments (grades P-12) from the University of Louisville. She enjoys living in Louisville, working with a great team of TVIs and COMS; and stays busy with all the activities Louisville has to offer.

Diane Haynes is the State Coordinator of the Kentucky Deaf-Blind Project at the University of Kentucky. She has worked with the project for 29 years serving students all across Kentucky. Prior to coming to the DB Project she was a classroom teacher. Diane is the co-author of "Reach for the Stars... Planning for the Future - A Transition Process for Families of Young Children." She is also an instructor at the University of Kentucky in the Department of Special Education, Early Childhood and Rehabilitation Counseling.

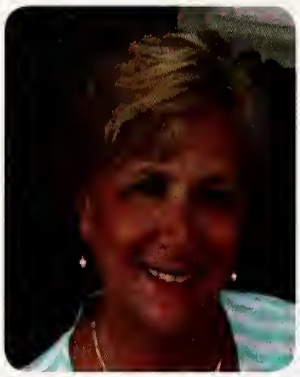


Tara Harmon is a Community Based Instructor who focuses on work and transition at the Kentucky School for the Blind in Louisville, KY. She holds a bachelor in Elementary Education and Learning Behaviors, a Masters in Education in Moderate to Severe Disabilities, and is currently perusing her Rank 1 in Teaching Students with Visual Impairments. She currently uses strategies and techniques from the University of North Carolina TEACCH (Treatment and Education of Autistic and related Communication-Handicapped Children) program in her classroom daily.

Connie Hill has attained degrees from Marshall University - Physically-Handicapped/Physical Education K-12, Elementary School Guidance Counselor, and Sports Medicine; from University of Louisville - certification in FMD and Visually Impaired; from Pennsylvania School of Optometry - Low Vision Rehabilitation. She enjoys watching sports, training for half-marathons, reading, and is active in her church and family. Her daily drive is "to give less than your best is sacrificing the gift".

Todd Johnson is a middle and high school social studies teacher and middle high teacher team leader at KSB. This is his 13th year teaching at the Kentucky School for the Blind. He received his Bachelors in Political Science and Master's Degree in Secondary Education from the University of Kentucky. His TVI certification was completed at the University of Louisville.

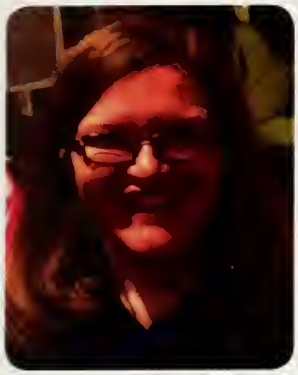
Elaine Kitchel is the Low Vision Project Leader at the American Printing House for the Blind. She has studied and worked with lighting for 35 years. Her degrees are from the University of Arizona, Purdue University, Troy State University and she has lighting certification from General Electric. She currently studies orchids and mushrooms.



Mary Lesousky is from Louisville, Kentucky and is a married mother of three adult children. She taught special education in the public school for several years and for the past 16 years has been employed by Visually Impaired Preschool Services (VIPS) working as a TVI with blind/visually impaired infants and preschoolers.

Lisa Macpherson is a Teacher of the Visually Impaired and Orientation & Mobility Specialist for Jefferson County Public Schools and has been with JCPS since 1992. Prior to 1992, Lisa was a pre-school teacher at the University of Louisville for 8 ½ years where she worked with ages birth-five years. Lisa has received her Master's in Early Childhood Special Education, Bachelor's in Elementary Education with an Endorsement in Visual Impairments and Orientation and Mobility Certification. Lisa is a co-founder of Fund for the Eyes, a nonprofit organization that serves blind children to young adult with resources to be successful outside of school in Jefferson County.

Paige Maynard serves children and their families at Visually Impaired Preschool Services (VIPS) as both an early interventionist for the birth to three population, and as a teacher for students ages 3-5 at VIPS' Kids Town Preschool. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Early Elementary Education from the University of Louisville, with a concentration and certification in Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education. She received her certification as a Teacher of the Visually Impaired from Missouri State University. She has served as a consultant for the Building on Patterns focus group at American Printing House for the Blind. Her professional interests include emergent literacy development and fostering critical thinking skills in young children.



Staci Maynard has has a Master of Divinity in Christian Education and is a TVI in training through the University of Kentucky. She has been a part of the VIPS team for four years and has been a preschool teacher in Kids Town Preschool at VIPS for two years. Her favorite pastime is hiking.

Dixie Miller has been with Visually Impaired Preschool Services for ten years. Prior to her career at VIPS, Dixie has worked as a developmental interventionist and primary level evaluator through KY First Steps. Dixie's favorite part of her job at VIPS is working with the families. Outside of VIPS, Dixie enjoys spending time with her 12 year old daughter and family. She enjoys reading and scrapbooking.

Kathy Mullen joined the VIPS staff as the Director of Education in August 2012. Although Kathy started her teaching career in a first grade special education classroom, she quickly recognized her first love as an early interventionist. She came to VIPS with 24 years of experience as a First Steps developmental interventionist, primary service coordinator, and state technical assistant. Kathy received her undergraduate education at Eastern Kentucky University and earned a Masters in Education and certification in Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education from the University of Louisville. She has completed additional certification and studies from University of Louisville and the University of Kentucky. Kathy is a state credentialed trainer in Kentucky and provides training to early childhood teachers and childcare providers across the state. She has served as an adjunct professor in the College of Education at UofL and as a guest teacher at UK, UofL, Spalding University, Campbellsville University, and Indiana University. Kathy's greatest joy comes from sharing time with her husband, children, and two granddaughters.

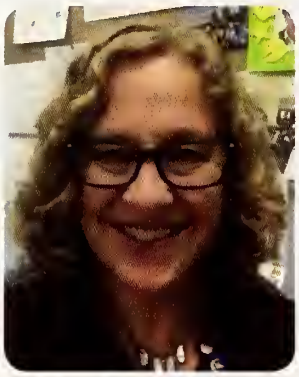
Teri Ritchie serves at the Kentucky School for the Blind Outreach Consultant for the Northern Kentucky Special Education Cooperative (NKCES) and the Ohio Valley Education Cooperative (OVEC). Teri has been a teacher of the visually impaired since 1990 when she began teaching history and social studies at the Kentucky School for the Blind. Teri worked as an itinerant

Teacher for the Blind/Visually Impaired in Minnesota and Wisconsin before returning to Kentucky in 2006 and joining the KSB Outreach Staff in 2007.

Kirsten Schmidt has worked for the Kentucky Office for the Blind for 27 years. She has held several different positions including Orientation & Mobility Specialist, Vocational Evaluator, Coordinator of Consumer Services, Operator of the See World Store, and currently Coordinator of Adult Education Services. She has always had a strong commitment in helping visually impaired adults and young adults seek and find independence and employment.

She completed her Bachelor's degree in Rehabilitation Counseling/Psychology from Murray State University in 1988 and her Master's degree in Vocational and Community Counseling from the University of Louisville in 1996. She served as President of KAER from 1995-1997.

In her spare-time she enjoys playing volleyball, practicing yoga, listening to live music and spending time with her 15 year old niece.

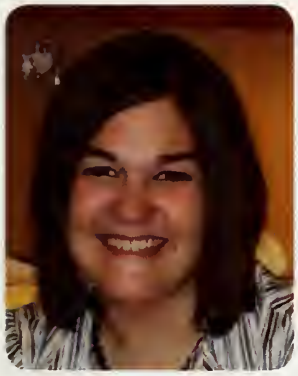


Peggy Sinclair-Morris is the Director for Outreach Services at the Kentucky School for the Blind. Before moving to Kentucky in 2014, Peggy was the project coordinator at the Virginia Deaf-Blind Project for six years. Prior to this, she was an itinerant TVI and O&M Specialist in Virginia, New Mexico, and Texas.

Janine Stubblefield has been in Jefferson County Public Schools for 12 years. She has been working with students with visual impairments for 6 years. Prior to that, she taught students with learning disabilities for 9 years. She taught in regular education for a few years then life got in the way and caused her to leave the education field for several years. She has taught music in school and at home by giving private piano lessons, worked in a factory as a quality control person, and has worked as a church secretary. She has a BA (General Studies/Church Music) from Carson-Newman College, a BS (Elementary Ed) from Lincoln Memorial University, an M.ED (P-4 Reading) from Georgetown College and Rank 1 (Special Ed-LBD) from Eastern KY University. She earned her Visual Impairments certification while teaching in Tennessee.

Janell Turner is a Vocational Rehabilitation Administrator with the Office for the Blind where she serves as the statewide transition coordinator. Previously she was a Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor with Office for the Blind. She has a Bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of Dayton and a Masters degree in Counseling Psychology from the University of Kentucky.

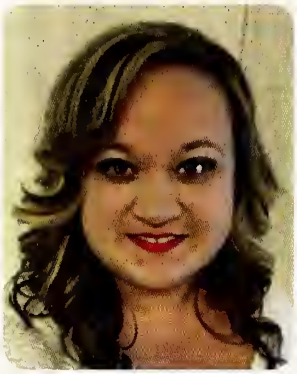
David Wickstrom is the Founder and President of Beep Baseball Kentucky. Beep Baseball is an adaptive form of baseball for those with low to no vision. On May 22, Beep Baseball Kentucky will opened the world's first blind baseball park in Frankfort Kentucky. David is also the Executive Director of Independence Place, a Center for Independent Living in Central and Eastern KY and was appointed by President Obama to the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities in 2014.



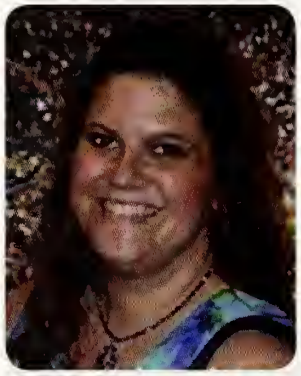
Laura Zierer has been a Research Assistant at the American Printing House for the Blind since 2013. Her primary areas of focus are Tests and Assessments and Adult Life. Laura began her career at APH in the Human Resources Department in 2010. She received her Bachelor's in Psychology from Bellarmine University, and plans to begin a graduate program in Educational Psychology this summer. In collaboration with Dr. Kay Ferrell, she assisted in finalizing the Boehm-3 Preschool Tactile and Big Picture versions.

SPECIAL SESSION SPEAKERS:

Della Barker has worked in holistic health since 2005. She is a graduate of Trinity School of Natural Health were she earned the following certifications: Doctor of Naturopathy, Master Iridologist, Master Nutritionist, Master Herbologist, and Certified Natural Health Professional. She is also a certified InForm fitness Coach and is currently working on her Phd at the University of Arizona. Della believes that it is key to keep the body balanced physically, mentally, emotionally, as well as spiritually for optimal health. In her spare time she enjoys spending time with family and friends.



Cassie Layne is a licensed Massage Therapist. She earned her certification at Mountain State School of Massage in 2011. Cassie is certified in various modalities of massage such as Swedish massage, Myofascial Release, Neuromuscular Therapy, Craniosacral therapy, Sports Massage, Prenatal Massage, reflexology and much more. Cassie believes that every aspect of a person, body, mind and spirit can benefit from receiving massage therapy. Her mission as a Licensed Massage Therapist is to treat every individual according to their specific needs. She is committed to her personal growth and continuing education as a Massage Therapist to work together with her clients to promote education and participation in this powerful self-healing process.



Tabitha Reed is a certified Naturopath, Registered Polarity Therapist, and Massage Therapist. She received a degree in Cosmetology and Barbering in 1995. She continued her education as she was not satisfied with just helping people look good. She wanted to help people feel good too. She completed a degree in Energy Medicine in 2002. That same year she also became a Licensed Massage Therapist. She completed Naturopathy School in 2004. She currently owns and runs a private business where she continues to help people gain better health and wellness through holistic nutrition, balancing, massage, and other naturalist therapies.

KAER Silent Auction Items

Antique Vignette of Goodies - Pamela Howard

Asbury University Item - Patricia Cocklin

Basket of Homemade Jams from West Kentucky - Katrina Berry & Sarah Vincent

Basket of North Eastern KY Goodies - KEDC Special Education Cooperative B/VI PLC

Bottle of 2010 California Zinfandel Turley Wine – A KEDC Friend & Pamela Howard

Braille Children's Book with Plush Toy - Cindy Adair

Brescia University Pullover (M) and Hat – Robbin Cox

Brescia University T-shirt (M), hat, & 4 tickets to athletic event – Robbin Cox

Country Goody Basket from Eastern KY – Cindy Queen & Miranda Opell

Eastern Kentucky University Basket – Southeast Educational Cooperative & Central Kentucky Educational Cooperative

Epiphone Guitar Autographed by "The FRAY" – A KEDC Friend & Pamela Howard

Goody Basket – Kentucky Educational Development Corporation

Handmade Leather/Pearl Necklace and Bracelet – Pamela Howard

Handmade Scarf with Nuno Felting Technique – Tabathia Roark

Honey with Honeycomb – Nona Walker

Kentucky State Pillow – Wendy Strode

Goody Basket – Kentucky Valley Educational Cooperative & Verna Howell

Kentucky Wesleyan Item – Katrina Berry

Lavender Basket – Nona Walker

LOVE Coaster Set – New Salem Baptist Church, Nortonville, KY

Maker's Mark Bourbon – Rick Ricks

Morehead State University Signed Basketball – Evangeline Day, MSU

Morehead State University Signed Football – Evangeline Day, MSU

Morehead State University Sweatshirt – Stephanie Little, KEDC

Murray State University Golf Items – Robbin Cox

Murray State University Item – Trisha Conklin

Murray State University Signed Basketball – Terri George

Northern Kentucky University Shirt – Lisa Zabonick

Northern Kentucky University T-Shirt – Robbin Cox

Pink Zirconia & Sterling Silver Ring (size 7) - Elaine Kitchel and Raspberry's Pearls & Plunder

Goody Basket – Southeast Educational Cooperative

Cincinnati Reds Hall of Fame Museum Tickets (4) and Reds T-shirt (XL) – Robbin Cox

T-shirt (M) and Hat – Robbin Cox

University of Kentucky Basket – Donna Brostek Lee & Gerald Abner

University of Kentucky Tray Set and Toboggan – Joan Etter & Missy Jones

University of Louisville Hat and Scarf – Ohio Valley Educational Cooperative Region

University of Louisville Signed Basketball – Robbin Cox & Kenny Jones

University of Louisville Tervis Tumbler – Peggy Sinclair-Morris

THANK YOU TO OUR 2016 KAER ADVERTISERS AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS/EXHIBITORS

American Foundation for the Blind
2 Penn Plaza, Ste. 1102
New York, NY 10121
(304) 710-3026

American Printing House for the Blind
1839 Frankfort Ave.
Louisville, KY 40206
(502) 895-2405

Berea Tourism Center
2 Artist Circle
Berea, KY 40403
(800) 598-5263

Community Awareness of Low Vision & Education of Blindness in Society Org. (C.A.L.E.B.S.)
4810 Straight Creek Rd.
Ashland, KY 41102
(606) 928-5805

Eye Opening Symposium c/o Bluegrass Council of the Blind
1093 S. Broadway, Ste. 1230
Lexington, KY 41105
(859) 259-1834

Historic Boone Tavern Hotel & Restaurant of Berea College
100 Main St.
Berea, KY 40403
(859) 985-3967

Jewelry in Braille
2713 Avington Ct.
Murfreesboro, TN 37128
(631) 875-3558

John-Kenyon American Eye Institute
519 State St.
New Albany, IN 47150
(812) 258-3079

Kentucky Educational Development Coop.
904 Rose Rd.
Ashland, KY 41102
(606) 929-0205

Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation
301 E. Muhammad Ali Blvd.
Louisville, KY 40202
(502) 583-0564

Kentucky Office for the Blind
275 East Main Street
Mail Stop 2E-J
Frankfort, KY 40621
(502) 782-3406

Kentucky School for the Blind (KSB) Charitable Foundation
214 Haldeman Ave.
Louisville, KY 40206
(502) 897-3990

KSB Family Support
1867 Frankfort Ave.
Louisville, KY 40206
(502) 897-1583

KSB Outreach
1867 Frankfort Ave.
Louisville, KY 40206
(502) 897-1583

Lab Computers
6708 Lunar Drive
Louisville, KY 40258
(502) 447-2458

Leader Dogs for the Blind
1039 S. Rochester Rd.
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(888) 777-5332

Radio Eye
1733 Russell Cave Rd.
Lexington, KY 40505
(859) 422-6390

Retina Assoc. of Kentucky
120 N. Eagle Creek Dr.
Lexington, KY 40509
(859) 263-3900

University of Kentucky Visual Impairment Prog.
229 Taylor Education Bldg.
Lexington, KY 40506
(859) 257-1128

Visually Impaired Preschool Services (VIPS)
1906 Goldsmith Lane
Louisville, KY 40218
(502) 636-3207

WE ALSO THANK OUR SILENT AUCTION DONORS!

3rd Annual
Eye Opening Symposium
Thursday, October 6, 2016

SAVE THE DATE

The 3rd Annual Eye Opening Symposium
Thursday, October 6, 2016
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Fayette County Extension Office
1140 Red Mile Place Lexington, KY

Contact Bluegrass Council of the Blind for more information at 859-259-1834 or email info@bcbky.org

Learn about:
Prevalent vision diseases in Kentucky
Adaptive technology to assist clients
What community services are available
How to access vision rehab services

CEUs pending for CRC, ACVREP, and Social Work

VIPS
Visually Impaired Preschool Services

Bright futures begin at Visually Impaired Preschool Services

VIPS empowers families by providing educational excellence to young children with visual impairments in order to build a strong foundation for reaching their highest potential.

www.vips.org

VIPS-Louisville
502-636-3027

VIPS-Central KY
859-276-0335

VIPS-Indiana
1-888-824-2197

Making a difference in the lives of blind and visually impaired students in Kentucky

Grants

Scholarships

Assistive Technology

Braille Writer Loan Program

ksbcf

Kentucky School For The Blind Charitable Foundation Inc.

(502) 897-3990 | www.ksbcf.org | Find us on Facebook

Leader Dogs for the Blind provides FREE Accelerated Orientation & Mobility Training in a unique, condensed seven-day program at our facility in Michigan.

Our program does not replace traditional O&M training—it supplements the training an individual receives at home.

Our goal is for the client to leave a safer and more independent traveler.

*For additional information visit **LeaderDog.org** or call 888/777.5332 to talk directly with a client service representative.*

LEADERDOGS FOR THE BLIND

Kentucky Educational Development Corporation

KEDC provides support and adds value to our member districts through a united spirit of cooperation and innovation. With 67 member districts statewide and 50 years of service, KEDC is Kentucky's oldest and largest educational cooperative. Together we are helping make our schools great!

Visit us online to learn more about the services and support that KEDC offers to help make your school great.

www.kedc.org

- Board Services
- Bidding and Procurement
- Support
- Finance Support
- Technology Services

KEDC

Kentucky Educational Development Corporation

- Adult Education Programs
- Special Education
- Migrant Services
- Food Service
- MS Office Trainings

KSB
KENTUCKY SCHOOL for the BLIND

Empowering Students who are Blind and Visually Impaired to Command their Future

As the statewide educational resource center on blindness, KSB offers all Kentucky students who are blind and visually impaired an array of options:

Full-time K-12 academic and community based instruction, work transition and independent living programs offered on the KSB campus

Short Term Placements for students to receive direct and intensive vision specific instruction for 1-12 weeks a year on the KSB campus while remaining enrolled in their home school district

Summer Enrichment Programs for K-12 students focused on academic and vision specific skills in a challenging and recreational environment on the KSB campus

Low Vision Evaluations are offered to students on campus and around the state to enhance visual functioning in and out of the classroom

Outreach works in partnership with the Educational Cooperatives to facilitate expansion of regional services. Consultants are assigned to each of the Educational Cooperatives as point of contacts about services and programs offered by KSB

And a plethora of enrichment opportunities including choral and instrumental instruction, athletic competition, scouting programs and playwriting and participation in the Kentucky Braille Challenge, Braille and Low Vision Carnival, Insight Postsecondary Education Program and much more!

To learn more go to **ksb.kyschools.us** or call **502-897-1583**

Kentucky Career Center
Blind Services

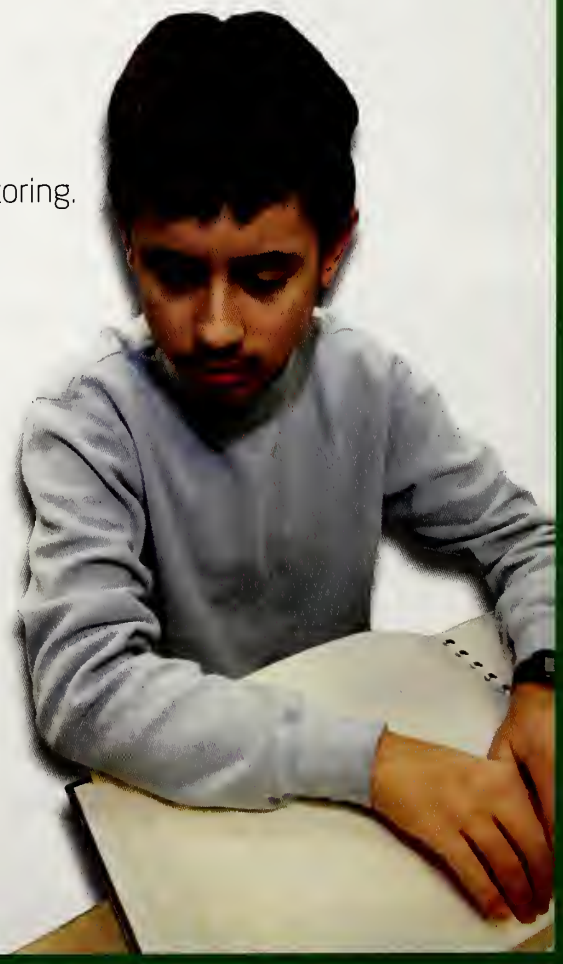
Recent legislative changes in the Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act (WIOA) have created new opportunities for public schools to receive increased assistance from the Office for the Blind. Pre-Employment Transition Services (PETS) are offered at no cost to students ages 14 -21 who are enrolled in school.

OFB can assist in the transition of students from secondary to post-secondary employment, training/education, and independent living. This includes:

- Job Exploration
- Work-based learning
- Counseling for post-secondary education
- Workplace readiness
- Instruction in self-advocacy to include peer mentoring.

What are the benefits of PETS?

- Increased supports and services for students
- Stronger Coordination of Services
- Enhanced Communication
- Successful Outcomes for Students



To learn more contact:
Janell Turner,
Statewide Transition Administrator
Office for the Blind
1-502-564-4754
http://blind.ky.gov

SEE WHAT YOU'RE MISSING

- **PIONEERS IN LASIK SURGERY, FIRST IN THE REGION TO PERFORM ALL LASER LASIK**
- **IMPROVE YOUR VISION, ENHANCE YOUR LIFESTYLE WITH LASER CATARACT SURGERY.**

John Kenyon's doctors have provided quality eye care to Louisville and Southern Indiana for more than 30 years. Our team includes corneal, retinal, and refractive specialists who take pride in offering a personalized approach to eye care, customizing treatment to each patient and each individual eye. We're here for all of your medical vision needs - from LASIK to Cataracts to Glaucoma and more.

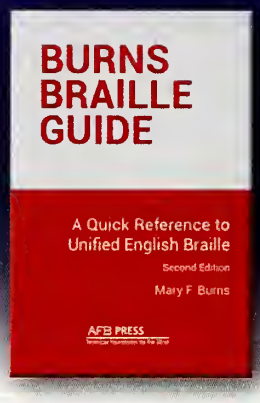
4040 Dutchmans Lane | Louisville, KY
1305 Wall Street | Jeffersonville, IN
519 State Street | New Albany, IN

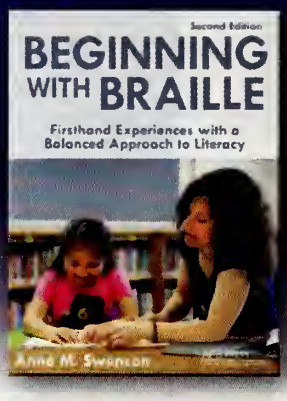
JOHN-KENYON

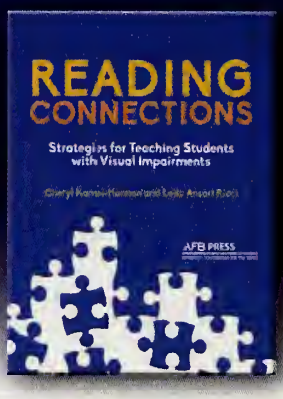
LASIK | CATARACT | MEDICAL

800.DIAL.EYE
JohnKenyonLASIK.com

New Resources for Professionals from AFB Press!







Burns Braille Guide

A Quick Reference to Unified English Braille, Second Edition

MARY F. BURNS

The *Burns Braille Transcription Dictionary* has been revamped as the *Burns Braille Guide* to usher in the new era of Unified English Braille (UEB). This easy-to-use reference guide includes common braille to print and print to braille conversions, as well as punctuation, new UEB contractions, and general rules and terminology.

Available in paperback, e-book, and online subscription.

Beginning with Braille

Firsthand Experiences with a Balanced Approach to Literacy

Second Edition

ANNA M. SWENSON

This new edition of an exceptional resource for helping educators teach braille has been updated using UEB and includes new sections on general education literacy instruction, teaching the dual-media learner, adapting materials, and addressing diverse needs. In addition to including favorite teaching activities from the first edition, the new *Beginning with Braille* also features new teaching materials, record forms, and braille activities.

Available in paperback, e-book, and online subscription.

Reading Connections

Strategies for Teaching Students with Visual Impairments

CHERYL KAMEI-HANNAN and LEILA ANSARI RICCI

A teacher's guide for addressing the needs of students who read print and/or braille with a focus on supporting those who have, or who are at risk for developing reading disabilities. Includes strategies and classroom activities.

Available in paperback, e-book, and online subscription

AFB eLearning Webinar Series

CVI Focus Series

Assessment, Intervention, and Literacy for Individuals with Cortical Visual Impairment

Presented by Christine Roman-Lantzy

- Beginning with the Basics
- Using the CVI Range for Functional Visual Assessment
- Designing Interventions and Opportunities
- Facilitating Literacy
- Building Language and Literacy Skills

eLearn

AFB PRESS
American Foundation for the Blind

Order today at www.afb.org/store or call 800-232-3044.

Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired

1703 N. Beauregard St., Suite 440 ▪ Alexandria, VA 22311-1744 USA ▪ (877) 492-2708 ▪ (703) 671-4500 ▪ Fax (703) 671-6391
aer@aerbvi.org ▪ www.aerbvi.org

AER Individual Membership Application

Thank you for your interest in AER! We look forward to your active membership. To apply, complete the five sections of this form and return it to AER. Your AER membership automatically qualifies you for chapter membership. Division memberships have a modest additional charge. **Membership is for a full year** and is non-transferable.

Application Date _____

1. PERSONAL DATA (Please print. Provide home and/or work info) **Contact Preference Home ☐ Work ☐**

Name (____ Mr. ____ Ms. ____ Dr.) _____

Home Mailing Address _____

Home City _____ State/Province _____ Zip + 4/Postal Code_____ Country _____

Home Phone _____ Home E-mail _____

Organization (if applicable): _____ Title: _____

Work Mailing Address _____

Work City _____ State/Province _____ Zip + 4/Postal Code_____ Country _____

Work Phone _____ Work Fax _____ Work Toll-Free _____

Work E-mail _____ Web site _____

Your Primary Occupation _____

2. MEMBERSHIP DATA (Check the appropriate membership category. All funds are in U.S. dollars. NOTE-All membership categories have access to AER listservs. Some divisions require division membership for listserv access.)

_____**Regular Member** ($167/year or $43.00/quarter*) - A full-voting membership open to anyone living in the U.S. or Canada, and includes all AER periodicals. **Quarterly option is available by calling the office.***

_____**International Member** ($167/year or $43.00/quarter*) - A voting membership open to persons living outside the U.S. or Canada, and includes all AER periodicals. **Quarterly option is available by calling the office.***

_____**Same Residential Household Member** ($140/year) - A voting membership open to an additional member residing in the same residential household as a current Regular AER member. The household receives one copy of any AER printed periodicals. Provide the name of the AER member residing in same household _____

_____**Retired Member** ($90/year) - A voting membership for anyone who has retired from a career in the field and includes all AER periodicals.

_____**Support/Clerical Member** ($90/year) - A voting membership category for individuals who are working in positions of paraprofessional or clerical support, and includes AER periodicals.

_____**Student Member** ($90/year) - A full-voting membership open to students in the U.S. or Canada, and includes all AER periodicals.

- University/College attending _____ Expected graduation date: _____

_____**Transition Member** ($136/year) – Upon graduation, *current* student members are eligible for a one-year Transition Member category, which provides the same member benefits as the Regular Member category.

- Date graduated _____ Provide current member number _____

_____**Associate Member** ($90/year) - A non-voting membership category for *anyone who is not employed* in the field or who is preparing for employment in the field. Includes AER Report only.

Office use: Date Rec'd. _____ Member ID _____ Indiv App 01 -13

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
Inquire Innovate Inspire

THE DEPARTMENT OF
Early Childhood, Special Education and Rehabilitation Counseling

Teacher Preparation Program in Visual Impairments

- Initial, advanced, and alternate graduate certification options
- Evening classes in the fall and spring semesters
- Online option for distance education students
- Face-to-face classes 1-2 weekends a semester and in the summer with lodging provided

To learn more about becoming a Teacher of the Visually Impaired (TVI) contact:

Dr. Donna Brostek Lee
donna.b.lee@uky.edu
(859) 257-1520

Gerald Abner
gerald.abner@uky.edu
(859) 257-1128

http://education.uky.edu/edsrc/content/vision

My Conference Notes

The Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation's programs provide assistance to over **20,000 Kentuckians** each year . . . . . .

- Our **KidSight** Program has screened over 55,000 children under 6-years of age since 2004.
- Our **Vision Van** Program has screened over 65,000 individuals since 2002.
- Our **Lions Eye Bank** provides over 300 corneas each year for transplants to save the sight of people locally as well as people across the globe.

Kentucky LIONS Eye Foundation

For volunteer opportunities please call 800-232-5308.

www.kylionseye.org

Best Wishes to KAER!!

My Conference Notes

-Spoonbread at The Log House Craft Gallery 03-23-16

Your KAER Board of Directors has a special gift for you located at The Log House Craft Gallery — It's Spoonbread Mix!

Bring in your coupon each time you visit the Log House Craft Gallery for **20% off** all ***Non-Berea College Crafts*** during your stay in Berea.

Valid:
Sat., March 19th – Fri., March 25th

No other discounts apply or can be applied. Does not include shipping. Not valid on previous purchases.

Log House Craft Gallery
200 Estill St., Berea, KY 40403

The premier showplace for Berea College Student Crafts. You will find treasures from Berea College Crafts as well as other regional crafts, literature, and more!

Hours:
Monday – Saturday 8am – 7pm
Sunday 1-5

RETINA ASSOCIATES OF KENTUCKY

Retina Associates of Kentucky is an award winning, nationally recognized practice founded in 1975. Seeing patients throughout Kentucky in 10 convenient locations, our 7 renowned physicians diagnose and treat all disorders of the back of the eye. Specializing in diabetic eye disease, macular degeneration, retinal detachment and histoplasmosis, our world class physicians and highly trained staff are proud to provide prompt and compassionate care to the people of Kentucky.

LOCATIONS:

Ashland	Danville	Lexington	Louisville	Richmond
Bardstown	Frankfort	London	Prestonsburg	Somerset

My Conference Notes

My Conference Notes

My Conference Notes

My Conference Notes

My Conference Notes

My Conference Notes

My Conference Notes

New!

THE JOY PLAYER

The Joy Player

Easy-to-load, switch-activated music player makes listening to MP3 and WAV files accessible!

The Joy Player is designed for individuals who have limited mobility, lack of fine motor skills, or cognitive disability in addition to a visual impairment.

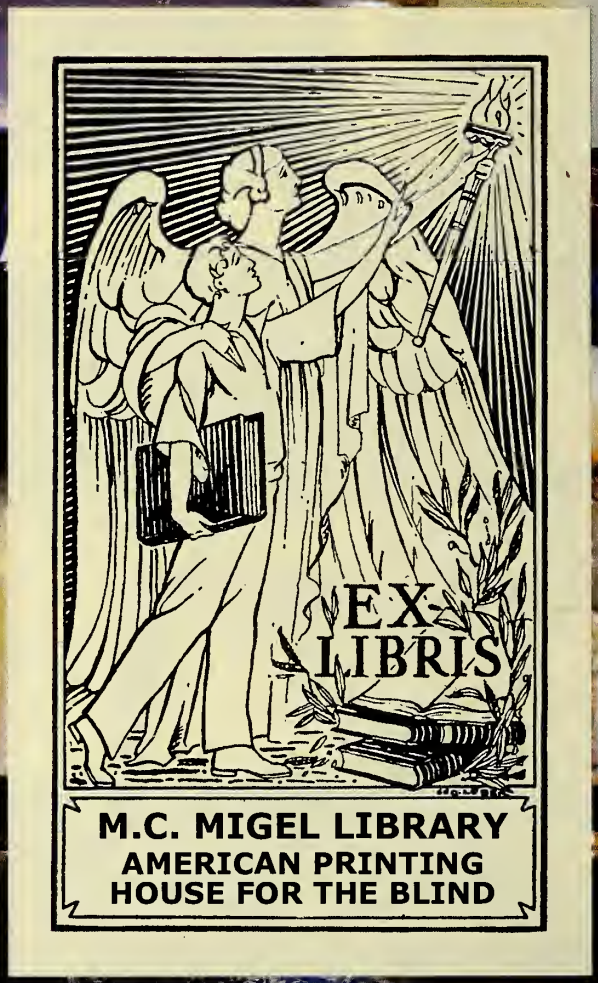
APH®

Service Since 1858

800.223.1839 • www.aph.org

http://shop.aph.org

We hope you enjoyed your stay!



Travel home safely!

KAER

Kentucky Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired

"like" us on facebook

http://kyaer.aerbvi.org